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STATEWIDE BAR ADMISSION CEREMONIES TO BE HELD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6

More than 2,400 new attorneys will be admitted to practice in Illinois on Thursday, November 6 with Justices of the Illinois Supreme Court and the Illinois Appellate Court presiding and administering the attorney's oath at five separate locations.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois state bar examination and an ethics examination, and have been certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

The largest group, 1,885, will be admitted in the First Judicial District during ceremonies starting at 10:30 a.m. at the McCormick Place West Ballroom. Illinois Supreme Court Chief Justice Thomas R. Fitzgerald will preside over the ceremony, with Justices Charles E. Freeman and Anne M. Burke participating.

Justice Freeman will introduce DuPage County Associate Judge Linda E. Davenport, who will make the motion to admit the class.

The 2,406 men and women were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys Thursday at ceremonies in the five Supreme Court judicial districts.

Here are the time and locations of Thursday's ceremonies:

Supreme Court Justice Thomas L. Kilbride will preside over the Third Judicial District ceremony, 11:15 a.m., Conference Room ABC, I Wireless Center, 1201 River Drive, Moline.

Supreme Court Justice Rita B. Garman will preside over the Fourth Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., auditorium of the Michael J. Howlett Building, Second and Jackson Streets, Springfield.

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Supreme Court Justice Lloyd A. Karmeier will preside over the Fifth Judicial District ceremony, 2 p.m., Lesar School of Law Building, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Appellate Court Presiding Judge Kathryn Zenoff will preside over the Second Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., Hemmens Memorial Building, Elgin Civic Center Plaza, 150 Dexter Court, Elgin.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 86,000.

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